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SUBJECT: ANTARCTIC TREATY: NINTH CONSULTATIVE MEETING: SEVENTH MONTHLY PREPARATORY MEETING: ARGENTINE PROPOSALS ON PROCEDURES FOR ADMISSION OF NEW CONSULTATIVE MEMBERS

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1. AS REPORTED REFTEL (A), ARGENTINE REP SUBMITTED PROPOSALS AT SEVENTH MONTHLY PREPARATORY MEETING FOR "DECISIONS" ON ADMISSION OF POLAND TO CONSULTATIVE STATUS AND ON PROCEDURE TO BE USED IN APPLYING FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS. ARGENTINE REP BLANCOS INTRODUCED "WORKING PAPERS" WITH STATEMENT THAT IDEA OF RECOMMENDA-

TION HAD BEEN COMPLETELY ABANDONED. HE DESCRIBED PAPERS AS AN "ATTEMPT" TO FIND MORE "SOLEMN OR FORMAL" WAY TO DEAL WITH ACCESSION. AUSTRALIAN REP SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO SAY THAT INFORMAL UK PROPOSAL OF APRIL 28 WAS ACCEPTABLE TO HIS GOVERNMENT BUT THAT HE WILL NOW HAVE TO RECONSIDER. HE NOTED SWITCH IN ARGENTINE PROPOSAL TO NOTIFICATION BEING MADE TO DEPOSITORY GOVERNMENT, AND STATEMENT THAT NOTIFYING STATE SHOULD APPROVE ALL PREVIOUS TREATY RECOMMENDATIONS. HE SAID HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE NO OBJECTION TO LATTER REQUIREMENT.

- 2. USSR AND UK REPS APPLAUDED DEFINITIVE NATURE OF TWO DRAFTS AND THE SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO THE POLISH ISSUE. THEY POINTED OUT THAT THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE SOME REDRAFTING, HOWEVER, IN THAT DEPOSITORY GOVERNMENT CANNOT CONVENE CONSULTATIVE MEETING IN ANOTHER COUNTRY AS CALLED FOR IN PROPOSALS. THEY ALSO SUGGESTED THAT PARAGRAPH DEALING WITH EXAMINATION OF WHETHER APPLICANT STATE HAS ABIDED BY THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF ARTICLE IX, PARA 2 OF THE TREATY IS OVERLY AMBIGUOUS AND DOES NOT ADEQUATELY REFLECT UNANIMITY PRINCIPLE. FOLLOWING MEETING KOTLIAR AND HEAP AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE BEST TO CONCENTRATE ON ARGENTINE PROPOSALS AND THAT BOTH WOULD ATTEMPT TO INFILUENCE OTHER TREATY MEMBERS IN THIS DIRECTION.
- 3. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF ARGENTINE PROPOSAL FOR A "DECISION" SPECIFICALLY ON ADMISSION OF POLAND TO CONSULTATIVE STATUS FOLLOWS:

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"PROPOSAL FOR A "DECISION" ON ITEM I.7 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- A. THE GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, FRANCE, JAPAN, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY, SOUTH AFRICA, THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNTIED STATES OF AMERICA.
- B. REMEMBERING THAT THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC IS AN ADHERENT MEMBER OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY SINCE JUNE 8TH, 1961, IN THE TERMS OF ITS ARTICLE XIII.
- C. HAVING ASCERTAINED THAT IN THE INTERVENING TIME THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC HAS EVIDENCED ITS INTEREST IN THE ANTARCTIC REGION IN THE MANNER ENVISAGED BY ARTICLE IX, PARAGRAPH 2, SHOWING AT THE SAME TIME ITS IDENTIFI-

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CATION WITH THE OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY.

D. STATING THAT THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC HAS FUL-FILLED THE REQUIREMENTS SET DOWN IN ARTICLE IX, PARA-GRAPH 2 OF THE TREATY, BY WAY OF ESTABLISHING THE PERMANENT SCIENTIFIC STATION "HENRYK ARCTOESKI" IN THE AREA IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF PUNTA THOMAS, LASSERRE BAY; IN THE 25 DE MAYO ISLAND OF THE SOUTH SHETLAND CONFIDENTIAL

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- E. FURTHER REMEMBERING THAT THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC HAS MADE KNOWN ITS APPROVAL OF ALL THE RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED IN THE CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS HELD, UP TO NOW, BY THE CONSULTATIVE PARTIES OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY.
- F. THEREFORE THEY HEREBY DECIDE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC HAS FULFILLED THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE IX, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY AND THAT AS A CONSEQUENCE HAS THE RIGHT TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS OF ARTICLE IX PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE TREATY
- 4. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF ARGENTINE PROPOSAL FOR A "DECISION" ON PROCEDURE TO BE USED IN APPLICATION FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS OF THOSE STATES WHICH HAVE ADHERED TO THE TREATY FOLLOWS.

"PROPOSAL FOR A "DECISION" ON ITEM I.7 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- A. THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE CONSULTATIVE PARTIES TO THE ANTARCTIC TREATY (ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, CHILE, FRANCE, JAPAN, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY, SOUTH AFRICA, THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA).
- B. RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO REGULATE THE PROVISION OF ARTICLE IX PARAGRAPH 2, OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY REGARDING THE PROCEDURE TO APPLY FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS OF THOSE STATES WHICH HAVE ADHERED TO THE TREATY, CONFIDENTIAL

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ACCORDING TO ITS ARTICLE XIII.

- C. CONVINCED OF THE NEED TO SET DOWN ADEQUATE PRO-VISIONS SO THAT THE ACTIVITIES OF ADHERENT STATES ARE CARRIED OUT - EVEN BEFORE THEY ACCEDE TO THE CONSULTA-TIVE STATUS - IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY.
- D. FURTHER RECOGNIZING THAT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS WHICH SHOULD ATTEST TO THE INTEREST OF ADHERENT STATES IN ANTARCTICA MUST BE PROPERLY DEMONSTRATED AND THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCIENTIFIC STATION OR THE DISPATCH OF A SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION AS ENVISAGED IN ARTICLE IX PARAGRAPH 2, SHOULD

CONFORM WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE TREATY.

- E. THEREFORE, THEY HEREBY DECIDE TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RULES THAT WILL GOVERN THE ADMISSION OF ADHERENT STATES TO THE CONSULTATIVE STATUS:
- 1. THE ADHERENT STATE WHICH DEEMS ITSELF ELIGIBLE FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS, SHALL NOTIFY THE DEPOSITARY STATE OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY OF ITS INTENTION TO APPLY FOR THE NEW STATUS. THE DEPOSITARY SHALL BE IN CHARGE OF COMMUNICATING THAT NOTIFICATION TO ALL THE OTHER CONSULTATIVE PARTIES.
- 2. THIS NOTIFICATION SHALL BE PRECEDED BY INFORMATION SUPPLIED TO ALL THE CONSULTATIVE PARTIES BY THE APPLICANT STATE COMPREHENSIVE OF DETAILED PROGRAMS OF SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION, DURATION, OBJECTIVES AND STAGES OF THOSE INVESTIGATIONS AND IN THE CASE OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCIENTIFIC STATION, DATA ON GEOGRAPHICAL COORDINATES, PERSONNEL INVOLVED AND PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES.

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3. THE APPLICANT STATE SHALL MAKE IN ITS NOTIFICATION TO THE DEPOSITARY, A STATEMENT CONFIRMING ITS APPROVAL OF ALL RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED TO THAT MOMENT BY THE CONSULTATIVE PARTIES.

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- 4. EACH CONSULTATIVE PARTY SHALL EXAMINE WHETHER THE APPLICANT STATE HAS ABIDED BY THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF ARTICLE IX, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE TREATY, TO WHICH END IT SHALL BE ENTITLED TO EXERCISE THE RIGHT OF INSPECTION ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE VIII OF THE TREATY.
- 5. WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF THE COMMUNICATION TO THE CONSULTATIVE PARTIES BY THE DEPOSITARY OF THE NOTIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT STATE TO THE DEPOSITARY, THE LATTER CONFIDENTIAL

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SHALL CONVENE A SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNTRY DESIGNATED AS VENUE FOR THE NEXT CONSULTATIVE MEETING, IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE APPLICANT STATE HAS MET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY TO BE ADMITTED TO CONSULTATIVE STATUS.

- 6. THE DECISION SO ADOPTED BY THE CONSULTATIVE PARTIES SHALL BE UNANIMOUS.
- 7. THE APPLICANT STATE SHALL THEREBY, IN THE CASE OF A UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE DECISION, BE ADMITTED TO THE STATUS OF CONTRACTING CONSULTATIVE PARTY AND WILL BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE THEREAFT MEETINGS OF THE CONTRACTING CONSULTATIVE PARTIES."

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